Florence, New Jersey May 1, 2013

The Florence Township Council held a regular meeting on the above date in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by President Sandusky at 8:00 PM. President Sandusky led the Salute to the Flag.

The Opening Statement was read by the Township Clerk: Notice was sent to the Register News for information; posted on the municipal bulletin board; placed on the web-site on January 3, 2013; and advertised in the Burlington Co. Times on January 6, 2013.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Frank Baldorossi Ted Lovenduski Paul Ostrander David Woolston Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Mayor Craig H. Wilkie; Thomas A. Sahol, Assistant Municipal Administrator; Kelly Grant, Esq., Township Attorney; Joy M. Weiler, Township Clerk

Note: Richard Brook, Township Administrator not in attendance due to personal business.

MINUTES

Ostrander made a MOTION; seconded by Lovenduski to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Township Council Regular Session – April 3, 2013 Township Council Closed Session – April 17, 2013 Township Council Special Session with Greenbriar Horizon – April 17, 2013

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Lovenduski; seconded by Ostrander, to receive and file the Tax Collector's report for 2012 Uncollectable Taxes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

It was on the MOTION of Lovenduski; seconded by Ostrander to approve the Treasurer's Bill List.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Lovenduski, Ostrander, Woolston, Sandusky

NOES: None

ABSENT: None Motion carried.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE None at this time.

APPLICATIONS

A. Social Affair Permit, Francis W. Robbins American Legion Post 194 June 22, 2013 from 1:00pm – 10:00pm

MOTION was made by Baldorossi; seconded by Lovenduski to approve the application. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, it was on the MOTION of Woolston; seconded by Ostrander to close the public comments. Roll call vote - All ayes.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-97

Authorizing Refunds of Certain Tax Overpayments

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-98

Approve Request for Release of Maintenance Letter of Credit Burlington Assembly of God Church Fountain of Life Bond #160

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-99

Support the Route 130/Delaware River Corridor Pedestrian Safety Study

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-100

Approve Release of Performance Bond For Platinum – The Manors at Crossroads Phase I, Water and Sanitary Sewer Bond No. 1024186 Block No. 165.01; Lot 2.01

It was on the MOTION of Ostrander; seconded by Lovenduski to approve Resolution Nos. 2013-97 through 2013-100.

On the Question Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Lovenduski, Ostrander, Woolston, Sandusky

NOES: None

ABSENT: None Motion carried.

ORDINANCES None at this time

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

Mayor

Mayor Wilkie reminded everyone that the **Day of Prayer Ceremony** is scheduled for 10:00am the next day.

Today is also **Paint the Town Purple Day** to support **Relay for Life**. He shared a photo of the employees of the Township Clerk's Office dressed in purple. He noticed other examples throughout the township of "purple" participation. Also, Mayor Wilkie's daughters, as well as other students, received fliers from school. The Relay for Life begins at 6:00pm Friday and runs until noon Saturday.

Council President Sandusky said the **American Legion Shrimp Dinner** begins at 4:30 on Friday.

Mayor Wilkie advised that **Subaru and NFI** are creating a **Community Garden**. Assistant Administrator Sahol has been researching locations and believes the Ranier Property that the township purchased last year would be a good site. It is near the High School. The option will be discussed at the next meeting. NFI would like to get started as soon as possible on the garden.

May 8th Mayor and Council will be touring the Water and Sewer Treatment Plant. He said the tour of the NFI site this evening was very positive and the building is "massive." Both tours had been advertised and noted on the town's web-site.

Administrator: Nothing at this time.

Assistant Municipal Administrator:

Assistant Administrator Sahol said the **Boy Scouts** contacted the **Roebling Museum** about building a replica of a **hose shed** like those that used to be found all over Roebling. The Roebling Museum does not have the space for the structure.

The Museum recommended that the scout put a smaller, flat shed on the back wall of the fire truck bay at the Main St. Community Center and build a replica of a fire cart to put in the bay to create a display to be seen through the door. It is a good idea and will not take away from the entire bay area. It could be short term or something that can be taken in and out. It is an **Eagle Scout Project.**

Mayor Wilkie said the FOP Lodge 210 is in agreement. He agreed that it would be a good use of the space.

Council President Sandusky asked if this might be something better suited at the Museum since it is Roebling history? He said there are many things the window can be used for. Mayor Wilkie said one thing to consider when placing items in that location is that the sun can fade them. Council President Sandusky said the shed behind the Buc's Property would be nice if it were fixed up.

Mayor Wilkie noted that Assistant Administrator Sahol looks for grants to restore locations such as that. This project pays tribute to the fire department. Council President Sandusky said the project will look nice anywhere it is placed. He thinks more people will see it if it is at the Museum. He worries that only people coming to the Main St. Community Center will see it.

Assistant Administrator Sahol and Councilman Lovenduski said the Museum has events that bring people to the Village and the Main St. Community Center and it could make the Village a destination.

Council President Sandusky noted Mr. Brook was not in attendance this evening. He said it is very seldom for him to miss a meeting, but he had personal business to attend to.

Assistant Administrator Sahol said the Northview Motel is inquiring to connect to the township water supply. He said he will discuss the request with the business owner. Whenever possible this is allowed but there were hindrances that prevented the lines being run that far.

Division of Law: Nothing at this time.

<u>Division of Engineering:</u> Nothing at this time.

Division of W & S Utilities: Nothing at this time.

Unfinished Business:

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Board of Health: Nothing at this time.

Miscellaneous: Nothing at this time.

Public Comments:

Bill Bott, 64 Riverbank Drive, asked about traffic turning at the new Subaru site. He was told there will be a left turn lane.

MOTION of Lovenduski; seconded by Councilman Woolston to close public comment. Roll call vote - All ayes.

8:17 PM MOTION by Lovenduski; seconded by Woolston to adjourn. Roll call vote - all ayes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

8:17 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER, RMC/MMC Township Clerk

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